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1. The following troop trains [] between []
7 and 12 March 1953:

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Date in March	Composition of Troop Trains	From	To
7	11 converted boxcars, Altengrabow 2 boxcars and 39 flatcars		Potsdam
8	2 boxcars and 13 flatcars	Forst Zinna	Wittenberg
9	35 boxcars, 19 flatcars and 2 gondola cars	Oranienburg	Grossenhain
11	9 boxcars and 10 flatcars	Dallgow- Doberitz	Neustrelitz
12	1 converted boxcar and 14 flatcars	Fuerstenwalde	Lieberose
	1 boxcar and 8 flatcars	Frankfurt/Oder	Lieberose

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2. VP trains and troop trains [] between []
9 and 12 March included:

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<u>Date in March</u>	<u>Composition</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
7	35 boxcars and 19 flatcars with VP personnel	Graefenhainichen	Oranienburg
10	6 boxcars and 48 flatcars with VP personnel	Grossenhain	Oranienburg
12	15 boxcars and 42 flatcars with troops	Koenigsbrueck	Rostock

3. On 11 March, a troop train of 8 converted boxcars, 1 boxcar, 6 flatcars and 4 SSY-type flatcars.

The train went from Dallgow-Doebritz to Neustrelitz.

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1. Comment. The troop train with components of the 34th Arty Div (US) was previously reported

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2. Comment. On 9 March 1953, the unloading of eight tanks and SP guns of the 51st Gds Tank Regt and the 78th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt of the 6th Gds Tank Div was reported from Wittenberg. On 2 March 1953, these elements were probably transported to the Werder-Markendorf troop training grounds for combat firing practices.

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3. Comment. not less than three VP trains went from Grossenhain to Oranienburg between 7 and 9 March 1953. The train on 9 March 1953 reported in paragraph 1 of the present report probably returned empty to Grossenhain after it had arrived at Oranienburg

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on the same day. The VP train on 10 March is reported for the first time.

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4. Comment. on 11 March 1953, 8 T-34/85 tanks, 9 trucks and 150 soldiers of the 1st Mecz Div were loaded at Doebritz and transported to Neustrelitz.

5. Comment. The dispatching stations and composition of the two troop trains indicate that the trains carried small tank units of the 7th Gds Mecz Div which moved to the Lieberose troop training grounds for field exercises.

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6. Comment. The troop train from Koenigsbrueck to Rostock probably carried a component of the 4th Gds AAA Div to the Wustrow AAA Range via Rostock.

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